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United States Copyright Office

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[Docket No. 2012-1]

Copyright Office Fees

AGENCY: U.S. Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking: Extension of reply comment periods.

SUMMARY: The United States Copyright Office is extending the deadline for filing reply comments regarding its notice of proposed rulemaking concerning the establishment of a fee schedule for filing cable and satellite statements of account for use of the statutory licenses that provide for the secondary transmission of broadcast programming by cable and satellite companies.

DATES: Reply comments on the proposed regulation must be received in the Office of the General Counsel of the Copyright Office no later than 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on February 22, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The Copyright Office strongly prefers that reply comments be submitted electronically. A comment submission page is posted on the Copyright Office website at <http://www.copyright.gov/docs/newfees/comments/>. The website interface requires submitters to complete a form specifying name and other required information, and to upload comments as an attachment. To meet accessibility standards, all comments must be uploaded in a single file in either the Adobe Portable Document File (PDF) format that contains searchable, accessible text (not an image); Microsoft Word; WordPerfect; Rich Text Format (RTF); or ASCII text file format (not a scanned document). The maximum file size is 6 megabytes (MB). The name of the submitter and organization should appear on both the form and the face of the comments. All comments will be posted publicly on the Copyright Office website exactly as they are received,

along with names and organizations if provided. If electronic submission of comments is not feasible, please contact the U.S. Copyright Office at (202) 707-8380 for special instructions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On December 6, 2012, the U.S. Copyright Office published a notice of proposed rulemaking (“NPRM”) announcing a revised schedule of fees for filing semi-annual statements of account pursuant to 17 U.S.C. 111, 119, and 122 based upon a new cost study. 77 FR 72,788 (December 6, 2012). Comments to the proposed fees were due on January 7, 2013 and the Office received three comments at that time, including a comment from the National Cable & Telecommunications Association (“NCTA”). The Office previously granted an extension of time to file reply comments to February 15, 2013 in response to NCTA’s motion requesting additional time to consider the Office’s response to a Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) request for the cost studies referenced in the Office’s December 6 notice announcing new proposed fees. It appears that more time is necessary to consider this information and the Office is thus extending the time for all stakeholders to file reply comments to 5:00 p.m. EST February 22, 2013.

Dated: February 11, 2013

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